



Dear Friends,

We are very excited to announce that the **Better Beginnings Mayors' "Shining Star" Gala** will take place on **Saturday, May 20th** at 5:00 p.m. at the **East Windsor Holiday Inn!** This is our annual event that gives us the opportunity to recognize our very own "Shining Stars!" This year's very-deserving Mayor's Shining Star Award winners are:



Jacqueline K. Bodin
Lifetime Achiever



Ellen Ogintz
Individual Award



Peddie School
Better Beginnings Club
Youth Award



Princeton Area
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
Promoting philanthropy to advance the well-being of

Princeton Area Community Foundation
Business Award



CCL Label Organization Award

We are also celebrating our 50th Anniversary! Since 1967, Better Beginnings has been serving the community with high-quality, affordable early learning and childcare services to children from low income working families. This provides their parents with the ability to remain employed or attend a full time training/education program, thereby having the opportunity to be self-supporting and contributing members of the community. BBCDC is State-licensed and we currently have the great pleasure of serving 99 children ages 2-1/2 through 11 years of age.

We credit our longevity to you – our friends and supporters and this milestone is literally a "golden opportunity to make a difference in the lives of families and children." We hope you are able to join us for a fun-filled evening as we celebrate our community, our partners and our children.



- We/I am attending the event,** please reserve _____ ticket(s) at \$80.00 each *Early bird special tickets at \$75.00 each if received by April 1, 2017. (We will be contacting you at a later date for dinner selection).* **Payments can be sent to Better Beginning's, 318 North Main Street, Hightstown, NJ 08520. Attn: Mercedes Colon-Vargas, with the completed form below.**
- We/I am not attending the event.** Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ _____. *(Contributions may be made online via PayPal at our website betterbeginnings.net)*
- We/I will be donating an item** or theme basket for the Auction: _____. *(Auction Item may be dropped off at Better Beginnings located at the Presbyterian Church of Hightstown, 318 North Main Street, Hightstown, NJ 08520 or call Mercedes Colon-Vargas at 609-448-6226).*

For more information on attending the **Better Beginnings Mayors' "Shining Star" Gala**, or if you are interested in sponsorship opportunities, please contact Mercedes at 609-448-6226 or mercedescolon-vargas@hotmail.com.

Contact Name: _____

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